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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing the right to choose health care.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 1.19 Right to choose health care. No law shall restrict a person's natural right and power to 3 secure the blessings of liberty to choose private health care 4 systems or private health care plans. No law shall interfere 5 with the right of a person or entity to pay for lawful medical 6 services to preserve life or health, and no law shall impose 7 a penalty, tax, fee, or fine, of any type, for declining or 8 failing to contract for health care coverage or for declining 9 or failing to participate in any particular health care 10 system or plan, except as required by a court of law where ll an individual or entity is a named party in a legal dispute. 12 Nothing in this section shall be construed to expand, limit, 13 or otherwise modify any determination of law regarding what 14 constitutes lawful medical services within the state of Iowa. 15 **EXPLANATION** 16 This bill establishes that no law shall restrict a person's 17 right to choose private health care systems or private health 18 care plans. In addition no law shall interfere with the right 19 of a person or entity to pay for lawful medical services, or 20 impose any type of penalty, tax, fee, or fine on a person 21 who declines or fails to contract for health care coverage 22 or declines or fails to participate in any particular health 23 care system or plan. The provisions of the bill shall 24 not be construed to expand, limit, or otherwise modify any 25 determination of what constitutes lawful medical services in 26 the state.